

WERE AFTER JIM SMITH?

Presence of Revenue Officers at High Point Leads to This Conclusion—A. W. Boyd Parfitts Has Been Arrested—Those at Asheville Methodists to Have a New Church.

Special to The Observer. High Point, Jan. 22.—Revenue officers were prowling around High Point last night between the hours of 9 p. m. and 4 a. m., and there is much speculation as to why they came and from whence they came. They did much scouting over this peaceful prohibition city, and rumors are that they were after big game.

A report that cannot be verified is that Jim Smith, the noted black-leg from Smithtown, was seen in these parts and that the officers were after the big reward of \$1,000 offered by the government for this notorious maker of blockade in the area around Smithtown. Several days ago Greensboro got word that Smith was here, that parties had seen him and recognized him but little was thought of the matter at the time but the presence of the officers and another report that Smith had been seen in these parts caused renewed talk on the matter.

Another report is that parties had been bringing blockade to the edge of the city and disposing of it for some time past and the officers here having notified the revenue officers that there would likely be something doing last evening, the latter had come to look around and a few minutes later the noted black-leg transgressor of Uncle Sam's revenue laws. Be that as it may, the officers came here and stayed eight long hours prowling in the darkness of the night. Later developments are awaited with much interest.

Officer Myers has returned from Newton, where he went to bring back one A. W. Boyd, wanted here for the alleged larceny of a pair of pants and a pair of shoes from boarders where he had rooms and also for "beating a board bill" to the amount of \$12.50. A cash bond of \$50 was required and the amount of the board bill and also expenses to and from Newton, all amounting to \$75, and the young man was given his liberty until to-day, when he was to appear here and answer for the charges. As was expected, however, he failed to make a "show down" and the chief of police until he makes due return of same to the county.

Yesterday Rev. Enos Harvey, of the Friends church, and Rev. E. L. Siler, of the First Presbyterian church, left for Raleigh, bearing with them the petitions from the various churches here which were got up at the Sunday services, asking for State prohibition. A large number of names was attached to the several petitions.

Dr. T. F. Marr, former pastor of Washington Street M. E. church here, who is now presiding elder of the Winston district, was here last evening on his way to the Thomasville, where he held quarterly meeting. Mr. Marr says it was decided while at Thomasville that the Methodist would build a handsome new church, the work to begin at once. It was brought out in the discussion of the proposed building that work had better commence at once, as during the money panic labor and material could be got so much cheaper—a rather unique position to take yet with much truth in it.

Mr. O. L. Spencer, of Randolph county, was a prominent High Point visitor yesterday. Mr. Spencer is one of the oldest original inhabitants of High Point and Randolph county. For thirty-nine years he has been conducting the Central Hotel in Salisbury. High Point had changed considerably since his last visit although he has been living in halting distance all the time. Mr. Spencer was on his way to Uwharrie for a visit.

INSPECTING HIS ROAD. New York Capitalist in High Point and Important Meeting of Carolina Valley Railroad Company is to Be Held—Dr. Newell Dwight Hills Speaks. Special to The Observer. High Point, Jan. 22.—Mr. W. T. VanBrunt, of New York City, who is largely interested in the building of the Carolina Valley Railroad and the electric car line in High Point, is in the city. He comes on a tour of inspection of the line and will be out going over the properties for a day or so. Some time the latter part of the week an important meeting of the company will be held here, which will mean much to the future of High Point and surrounding territory. It has been noted beyond a doubt that the Carolina Valley Railroad will be built and that work will commence within thirty days, when the material and construction apparatus will be on the ground. The line when completed will be some sixty miles in length, running from perhaps Wadesboro on the south, where connection with the Seaboard Air Line will be made, through here to Winston on the north, where connection will be made with the Norfolk and Western road. However, just at the present the line will be completed to Thomasville and then stretched out in another direction. Greensboro will be reached in time by the trolley line, if not the railroad. The company is said to have ample money in hand for all purposes and that there is no hindrance whatever now to keep from pushing the work to completion.

Deputy Hayworth, of Randolph county, was here yesterday after a negro boy who is wanted in that county on a very serious charge. Mr. H. C. Kearns has returned from Madison, Ala., where he has been at the bedside of his brother for several days. When Mr. Kearns left there was a noticeable improvement in the condition of his brother and the attending physician now thinks he will recover.

On account of misconnection Dr. Newell Dwight Hills, who was to speak in the auditorium last night, could not reach here but filed his engagement to-night.

NEWS OF THE UPPER CAPE FEAR. A Fine Tribute to General Lee—Great Religious Meetings—Recruits For The Public House—News in Brief. Special to The Observer. Fayetteville, Jan. 22.—One of the best talks the writer will venture to say, made anywhere in the State on the occasion of Lee's birthday, was that of Maj. A. A. McKeehan, adjutant of camp No. 152, Sunday afternoon. He had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with the great Southern leader, and his narrative of his personal recollections of Lee was simply but graphically told, and he secured the hearty thanks of the whole audience.

day, charged with selling whiskey to George Baxter, a little boy, in consequence of which George got wild, and broke up a negro school. Scholar is in jail. Superior Court of last week sent the following recruits to the public roads gang: Alex. Williams, 12 months; Charles Lane, 8 months; Sam. Moffitt, 6 months; Charles Smith, 4 months; Tom Nelson, one month; William Ervington, 4 months; Love-day Carroll, a negro woman, 6 months, detailed as a washerwoman for the convict.

Bill Smith, a negro, was put in jail Monday for stealing shoes from the store of F. W. Thornton and W. E. Kinley; and when the sheriff got hold of him, he discovered that he had been wanting Smith for all sorts of offenses, chicken stealing being his favorite. Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Johnson, of Lincoln, are visiting Mr. W. H. McPherson. Miss Betsy Robinson, graduate nurse, has been on special service with a patient at McColles, S. C.

NEWS OF IREDELL'S CAPITAL. Thirteen Prisoners Awaiting Trial—Appellate Patients on Road to Recovery—Statesville Has Representatives at Raleigh. Special to The Observer. Statesville, Jan. 22.—For the first time in some months there are more than a half dozen prisoners in the Irredell jail. Just now there are thirteen awaiting trial at the next term of Irredell Superior Court which convenes Monday. Three of the prisoners were placed in jail this week. The eleventh was Ola Chambers, colored, who is crazy. She was at the home of her uncle in the County Jail, a few days ago lost her mind. She is not violent, but her mind is undoubtedly unbalanced and her uncle thought best to place her in jail. The twelfth prisoner was John Jones, who was brought from Wheeling, W. Va., and who will be tried for the murder of Gus Murchison seventeen years ago.

C. P. Pope, alias Drum, was the thirteenth and the unucky prisoner. He was brought to Statesville from Mooreville by Deputy Deaton, and is charged with stealing a watch from Mr. Will Lambert. He and Watt Morgan, of Statesville, are the only white prisoners in jail and strange to say, both are charged with larceny of watches. Watt is charged with stealing a watch from one Sick, of Statesville, some weeks ago. Messrs. J. A. Hartness, J. F. Anderson, W. D. Turner and Mayo H. P. Grier are in Raleigh representing Statesville in the light for State prohibition. These gentlemen and Mr. L. C. Caldwell were elected delegates to attend the meeting of the Legislature and urge the passage of the prohibition act, by a meeting of citizens held in response to a call issued by Prof. J. H. Hill, president of the Irredell Anti-Saloon League, and J. A. Hartness, chairman of the executive committee of the league. The majority of Statesville people seems to be in favor of an act for State prohibition which will take effect at once. There has been much talk on the subject during the past few days, and much speculation as to what will be done at Raleigh.

Mr. Walter Albee, of Hickory, who recently underwent an operation at the Long Sanatorium for appendicitis, has about recovered and has been removed to his home at Hickory. Mr. F. A. Axley, of Murphy, father of Messrs. J. F. and C. C. Axley, of Statesville, is in the sanatorium for treatment. His condition is favorable and encouraging. Miss Mamie Fry, daughter of Mr. N. E. Fry, of Catawba, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a few days ago, is getting along nicely and an early and complete recovery is expected. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sialine and daughter, Miss Mabel, have moved to Statesville from Grafton, W. Va., and are living on Mulberry street. Mr. and Mrs. Sialine are parents of Messrs. O. W. and Fred Sialine, managers of the O. W. Sialine Glass Company, of Statesville, and the latter will live with them.

Mr. C. A. Simms has sold his interest in the mercantile business of Simms & Nash to his partner, Mr. C. G. Nash. Mr. Nash will continue the business. Mr. Simms has been in Newton and Lincoln several days on a prospecting trip with a view to going in business at one of these places.

Mr. C. B. Patterson, salesman for the Latney-Montgomery Hardware Company, left Monday night for Washington to have his eyes treated by a specialist there. He has had considerable trouble with his eyes recently and it is hoped that his trip to Washington will be beneficial.

TAFT IS HURT BY ROOSEVELT. President's Aid an Injury to Secretary's Candidacy. Montgomery Advertiser. That the influence and patronage of the administration are being used to further Taft's candidacy is becoming more and more apparent. The one weak place in the scheme lies in the fact that the appointments must be confirmed by the Senate and that body is not as complimentary towards Roosevelt's political appointees as he could wish. The Springfield (Mass.) Republican, a thoroughly independent newspaper, and a close observer, has this to say about it: "Numerous influential Senators have hitherto avoided committing themselves to any candidacy. But it is apparent that the present civility of the administration is tending to turn them strongly against Mr. Taft. Secret conferences of unusual nature and unusual length have been held on behind locked doors at the State end of the capital. During the last few days the air has become charged with electricity, and rumors have been spread of combinations to work the defeat of the Taft movement. One of the most prominent Senators has demanded that any combination be broken up. But when pressed further he frankly admitted that it was true and many influential Republican Senators were coming to look upon the Taft candidacy with very strong disfavor as a result of the above Federal patronage. In addition the Senate has not forgotten its troubles with the administration during the last few years nor has it lost its resentment."

In our judgment the open, and often partisan, advocacy of his candidacy of the President is one of Taft's greatest sources of weakness, for the best element of his party resents it and will show it. If he wants the nomination the best thing he can do is to get somebody to help him turn Roosevelt loose.

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WORK ON STREETS RESUMED.

Delay at Lexington Was Caused by Attachment of Construction Company's Property—Six-Month-Old Bank in Fine Condition. Special to The Observer. Lexington, Jan. 22.—The work of macadamizing one of the principal business streets was resumed yesterday after a delay of more than a week, owing to the fact that the property of the West Construction Company had been attached by a Salisbury firm. The Salisbury firm had been furnishing the granite and there was a dispute about the weight, the West Construction Company having refused to pay a claim of something over \$3,000. No settlement has been made by the construction company, either in person or by proxy. The report of President J. W. McCrary was very gratifying to the stockholders, for although the bank has been in operation but little more than six months, and during the time experiencing the panic, much progress has been made and the bank is on a most excellent foundation. The capital stock is \$25,000, and the deposits are \$50,000.

At the meeting a dividend of 4 per cent was declared and \$1,000 set aside as surplus. The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: J. W. McCrary, president; E. T. Buchanan, vice president; J. F. Deadrick, cashier; E. B. Craven, manager of insurance department. Mr. J. L. Zimmerman was elected as director to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. J. W. Crowell, who had disposed of his stock.

HAD THRILLING EXPERIENCE. Minister Carried on Outside of Florida Limited Till He Nearly Falls Off From Exhaustion—Freight Engineer Painfully Injured. Special to The Observer. Polkton, Jan. 22.—Rev. James Little, the well-known Baptist preacher, tells of a very thrilling and dangerous experience while en route here from Sanford Friday. In boarding the Florida Limited he failed to get on where the Pullman door was open and caught on the next car, thinking the door would be opened by the porter. Such was not the case, as Sanford is not a stop for this train.

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Mr. O. M. Fraser, a local freight engineer on the Seaboard, was painfully injured on the head here yesterday between two box cars. Mr. D. H. Carter has recently opened a livery stable here and is well equipped for service in this line. Mrs. Lela Cordell has been elected third assistant teacher of Polkton High School. Business holds up fairly well in our section, notwithstanding the prevailing complaint along this line.

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